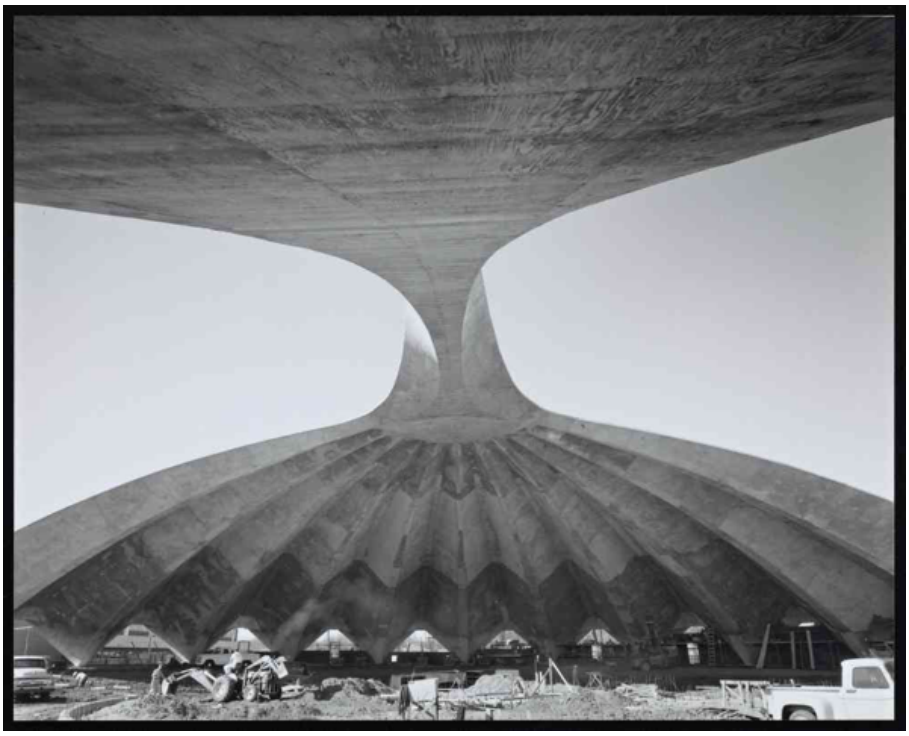
Robert Frost Auditorium

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Our current adaptive re-use of the 1960's era Robert Frost Auditorium at Culver City High School has the aim of creating a performing arts center and preserving it as an iconic performance space.



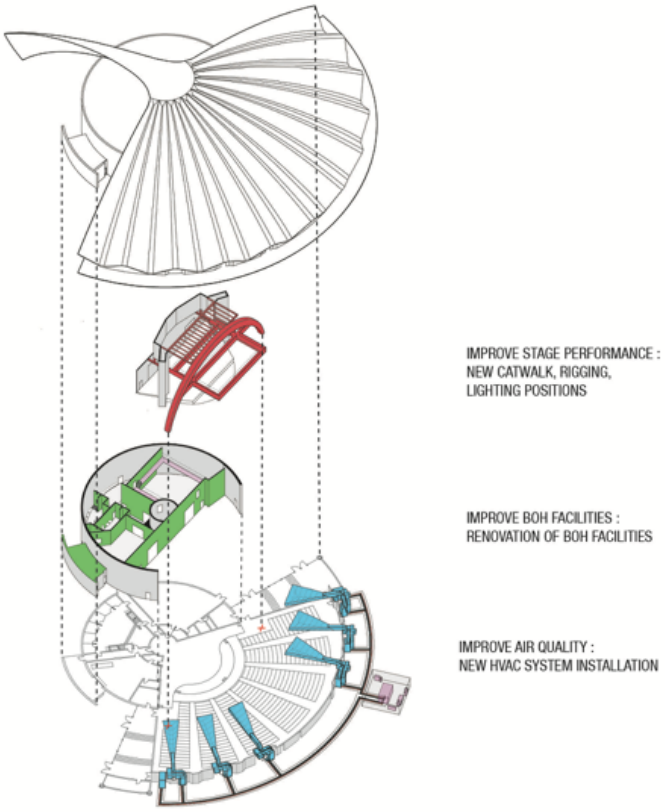
This unique structure, comprised of a 210 foot span folded plate concrete roof, built in 1963, has been in continuous use since it was first commissioned, and even survived the 6.7 Northridge Earthquake in 1994, with no damage whatsoever to the 4 inch thick shell.



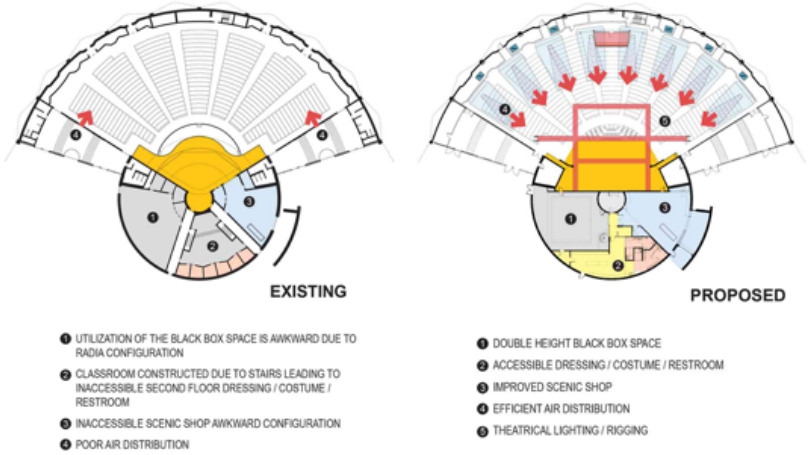
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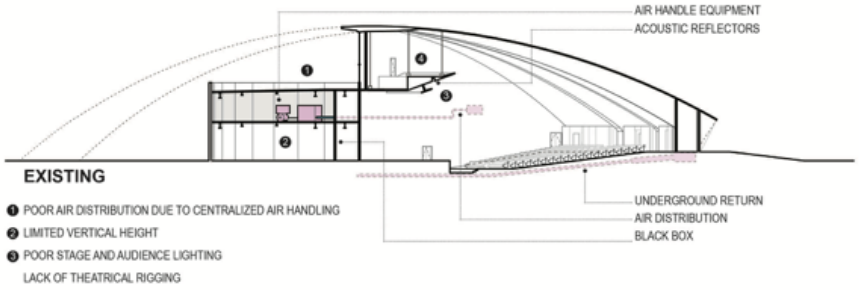


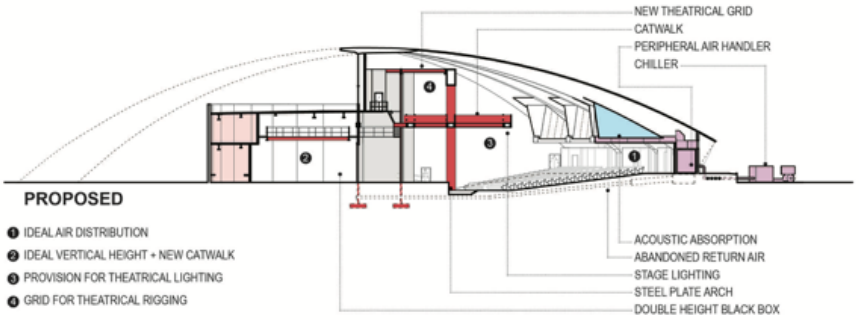
To preserve and celebrate the existing structure, each element of the design was subject to careful consideration, including challenges brought on by the unique structural constraints of the thin-shell structure, ineffective and unhealthful air handling system, lack of vertical space for a “black box” theater, and seriously degraded surfaces and systems throughout the venue.



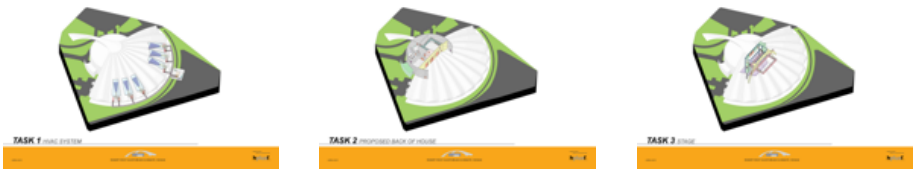
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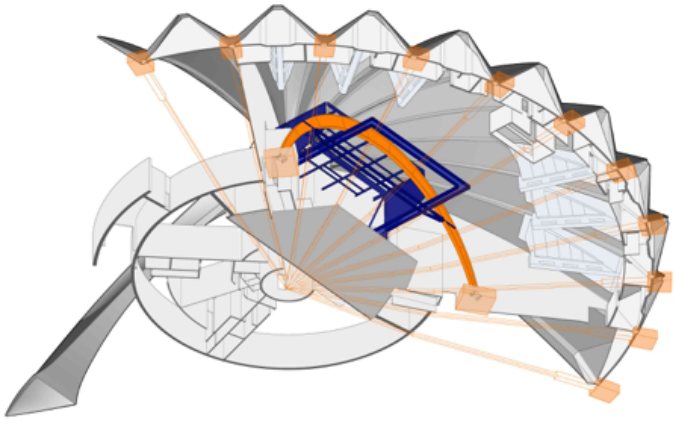




With a new larger stage, enhanced performance qualities and back-of-house facilities, Frost Auditorium will be a fully functioning theater within an extraordinary concrete shell, and continue to be an icon for Culver City.



RENEWED







Project:	Robert Frost Auditorium
Project Type:	Cultural - Performing Arts Center
Client:	Culver City School District